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Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Appl. No. To Be Assigned; Filed: January 25, 2002

Cont. of U.S. Appl. No. 09/400,443; Filed September 21, 1999

For: Smartcard for Use With a Receiver of Encrypted Broadcast Signals,

and Receiver

Inventor:

Michel Maillard et al.

Our Ref:

1581.0330002/MBR/TAD

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17)(in duplicate);
- 2. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05);
- 3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Smartcard for Use With a Receiver of Encrypted Broadcast Signals, and Receiver

and naming as inventor:

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the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing:
 - i. 45 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 9 pages of claims (claims 1-54); and
 - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- b. <u>17</u> sheet(s) of drawings: (Figures <u>1-20</u>);
- c. A copy of executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney as originally filed in U.S. Appl. No. <u>09/400,443</u>; and
- d. An Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
- 4. A Preliminary Amendment;
- 5. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission Formal Drawings (in duplicate);
- 6. Seventeen (17) sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-20);
- 7. An Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate);
- 8. Form PTO-1449 listing six (6) documents;
- 9. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)(in duplicate);
- 10. Two (2) return postcards; and
- 11. Our check No. <u>33953</u> for \$ <u>740.00</u> to cover Filing fee for patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are <u>17</u> sheet(s) of formal drawings with Figures 1-20, corresponding to the informal drawing(s) submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawing(s) is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawing(s) into this application is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Letter is enclosed.

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